(c) the measures proposes to take to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) to (c) No, Sir. There is regular monitoring of mail transmission and delivery carried out in all the post offices. Efforts are made to deploy adequate manpower in the expanding urban conglomerations through rationalization/ restructuring of delivery. Surprise checks are also carried out by the supervisory staff and officers with respect to delivery of mail.

Regulatory body for private mobile towers

2125. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry prepared any regulatory body for erection of private mobile towers in residential areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry is aware about public protest against erection of mobile towers which are adversely affecting the health of residents in neighbourhood; and

(d) if so, the actions that are proposed to regulate the system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Government has also inserted a clause in the Service Licence Agreement stating "Licensee shall conduct audit and provide self certificates annually as per procedure prescribed by Telecommunication Engineering Centre (TEC)/or any other agency authorized by Licensor from time to time for conforming to limits/levels for antennae (Base Station Emissions) for general public exposure as prescribed by International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) from time to time."

Special Purpose Vehicle

2126. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to set up a Special Purpose vehicle (SPV) to provide Information Technology (IT) services to rural India; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT): (a) Government is setting up Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for the Common Service Centres (CSC) Scheme for channelising Government content and for aggregating services.

(b) The proposed SPV will be a Public Ltd. Company under the Companies Act 1956. It will have an authorized capital of Rs. 90 crores with a initial paid up capital of Rs. 50 crores. The major equity participants will be State Governments, service centers agencies (SCAs), financial institutions and banks. The SPV will be chaired by the Secretary, Department of Information Technology, Government of India.

IT export

2127. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether an appreciating rupee is likely to affect the performance of IT export;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total earnings in percentage of the revenue and value of the Indian IT exporters in the last five years;

(d) the impact of the jump in rupee on the operating margins in IT exporters; and

(e) the factors on which margins receive impacts and the role of Government in this regard to help the IT exporters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SACHIN PILOT): (a) and (b) With almost 70 per cent of India's external trade invoiced in dollars, any change in the dollar's rupee value has a disproportionate effect on the various stakeholders in the rupee's external value such as importers, exporters, borrowers, lenders and consumers of imported goods in the short run. During 2007-08, IT-BPO exports to US were about 60% of the total exports of IT and ITES. Growth in IT Export in Rupee terms during 2007-08 has moderated compared to the previous year.

(c) The IT industry's contribution (including hardware) as percentage of the national GDP and the value of the IT software and services exports from the country in the last five years is given below:—

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09*
Total IT industry revenue (including hardware) in billion US $	28.2	37.4	48.0	64.0	71.7
Software and services exports (in billion US $)	17.7	23.6	31.1	40.4	47.0
Percentage share of the Total IT revenue in the National GDP	4.1%	4.8%	5.2%	5.5%	5.8%

*estimated.